

REMARKS

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed December 30, 2004. Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of Claim 2, which was indicated in the Office Action as allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 2 has been canceled. The dependency of Claims 3 and 4 has been amended. Claims 5 and 6 depend from allowable Claim 1. Claims 7-16 have previously been allowed.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, applicant submits that all claims are in patentable condition and respectfully requests an early notice to that effect. Examiner Wong is invited to contact applicant's attorney at the number provided below should any questions or issues remain.

Respectfully submitted,

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